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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3135

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AID OF THE PUBLIC
2 COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR
3 FISCAL YEAR 2000.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 SECTION 1. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
6 be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid of the public
8 community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
9 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$99,808,453.00.

10 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
11 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
12 Education Enhancement Fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the
13 aid of public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year
14 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....
15 \$ 31,811,940.00.

16 (3) The money appropriated by this act shall be apportioned
17 as follows:

18 (a) The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges
19 shall distribute to each of the public community and junior
20 colleges, out of any money appropriated from the State General
21 Fund, the sum of Three Hundred Sixty-four Thousand Twenty-two
22 Dollars (\$364,022.00) and out of any money appropriated from the
23 Education Enhancement Fund, the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand
24 Six Hundred Ninety-seven Dollars (\$106,697.00).

25 (b) The remainder of the appropriation for public
26 community and junior colleges shall be distributed in twelve (12)

27 monthly installments beginning July 25, 1999, on the basis of the
28 number of full-time academic and technical public community and
29 junior college students actually enrolled and in attendance on the
30 last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its equivalent
31 of the preceding year counting only those students who reside
32 within the State of Mississippi. Provided, however, that
33 technical students shall be weighted at 1.19 times that of
34 academic students.

35 The Director of the State Board for Community and Junior
36 Colleges shall visit each public community and junior college and
37 shall determine, on the basis of an audit of students, who shall
38 be counted in each college and shall certify the number to the
39 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

40 If, pending determination of the full-time academic
41 enrollment of students at the public community and junior colleges
42 entitled to participate in this appropriation, as provided for in
43 this subsection, the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges
44 shall find and determine that any such public or community junior
45 college does not have sufficient funds on hand for payment of the
46 necessary expenses of its operation for the period commencing
47 July 1, 1999, until distribution of the funds appropriated hereby,
48 then, in that event, the State Board for Community and Junior
49 Colleges is expressly authorized to make an advance to any such
50 public community or junior college or colleges not having
51 sufficient operating funds for such period from the funds
52 appropriated hereby; provided, however, that the amount of any
53 such advance to any one public community or junior college shall
54 not exceed thirty-three percent (33%) of the amount of state
55 appropriated funds received by such public community or junior
56 college during the preceding fiscal year; and provided, further,
57 that the amount of any such advance shall be deducted from the pro
58 rata part of the funds appropriated hereby accruing to said public
59 community or junior college when enrollment has been ascertained
60 and distribution of funds is made.

61 (4) No part of the amount herein appropriated shall be used
62 by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for
63 administrative or other purposes except in the manner and to the

64 extent authorized in the act making an appropriation for the
65 expenses of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

66 SECTION 2. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
67 be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
68 State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the support,
69 maintenance and equipping of vocational-technical departments in
70 the public community and junior colleges which meet the
71 requirements for vocational-technical education departments for
72 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30,
73 2000..... \$ 2,963,974.00.

74 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
75 necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
76 Education Enhancement Fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the
77 support, maintenance and equipping of vocational-technical
78 departments in the public community and junior colleges which meet
79 the requirements for vocational-technical education departments
80 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending
81 June 30, 2000..... \$ 949,103.00.

82 (3) Such departments shall be open to students enrolled in
83 the institutions, and to other students who may qualify for such
84 courses, and to those meeting requirements for either civilian or
85 veteran rehabilitation, whether or not enrolled in such
86 institutions as regular students.

87 (4) Such funds shall be disbursed to such public community
88 and junior colleges on the basis of the full-time vocational
89 enrollment of each such public community and junior college as of
90 the last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its
91 equivalent of the preceding year, counting only students who
92 reside within the State of Mississippi.

93 (5) No part of the funds hereby appropriated shall be spent
94 for building or for regular academic instruction.

95 (6) The funds disbursed under the provisions of this act
96 shall be accounted for through the State Board for Community and

97 Junior Colleges.

98 SECTION 3. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
99 be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
100 State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the support of
101 part-time academic credit courses operated by public community and
102 junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and
103 ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 14,172,048.00.

104 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
105 necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
106 Education Enhancement Fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the
107 support of part-time academic credit courses operated by public
108 community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
109 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 4,538,072.00.

110 (3) These funds shall be disbursed by the State Board for
111 Community and Junior Colleges to such public community and junior
112 colleges as may qualify on the basis of the prior year full-time
113 equivalency of part-time and summer academic students, counting
114 only students who reside within the State of Mississippi.

115 SECTION 4. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
116 be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
117 General Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
118 Community and Junior Colleges for the purposes of paying for
119 nursing faculty supplement, in accordance with Section 37-129-1 et
120 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, and aid to nursing education for
121 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000
122 \$ 5,949,603.00.

123 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
124 necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
125 Education Enhancement Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the
126 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of
127 paying for nursing faculty supplement, in accordance with Section
128 37-129-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, and aid to nursing
129 education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending

130 June 30, 2000..... \$ 1,905,139.00.

131 SECTION 5. The following public community and junior
132 colleges which qualify shall participate in the funds provided by
133 Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of this act:

134 Coahoma Community College, Copiah-Lincoln Community College,
135 East Central Community College, East Mississippi Community
136 College, Hinds Community College District, Holmes Community
137 College, Itawamba Community College, Jones County Junior College,
138 Meridian Community College, Mississippi Delta Community College,
139 Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College District, Northeast
140 Mississippi Community College, Northwest Mississippi Community
141 College, Pearl River Community College, and Southwest Mississippi
142 Community College.

143 SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that none
144 of the General Funds appropriated herein shall be expended for the
145 purpose of paying salaries, wages, and fringe benefits of any
146 public community and junior college employee who is serving as a
147 member of the State of Mississippi Legislature.

148 SECTION 7. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
149 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
150 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated to the State
151 Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purposes of hiring
152 nursing and allied health teachers, awarding interest free nursing
153 and allied health student loans and providing instructional
154 support for the Rural Health Corps for the fiscal year beginning
155 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000 \$ 1,200,000.00.

156 Of the funds appropriated in this section, One Million Two
157 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000.00) shall be derived from
158 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section
159 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

160 The funds appropriated in this section shall be allocated as
161 follows:

162 (1) One-half (1/2) divided equally among the fifteen (15)

163 public community and junior colleges.

164 (2) One-half (1/2) divided upon the basis of the number of
165 full-time academic, technical and vocational public community and
166 junior college students actually enrolled and in attendance on the
167 last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its equivalent
168 of the preceding year counting only those students who reside
169 within the State of Mississippi.

170 The public community and junior colleges shall prepare and
171 make available to the Legislature and the Legislative Budget
172 Office an accounting of expenditures and program accomplishments
173 of the Rural Health Corps Program for each of the individual
174 community and junior colleges in a format and manner prescribed by
175 the Legislative Budget Office.

176 SECTION 8. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
177 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
178 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid of the public
179 community and junior colleges, to fund health insurance, through
180 the Public School Employees' Health Insurance Plan for all
181 employees of the public community and junior colleges for the
182 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....
183 \$ 9,173,736.00.

184 The funds allocated in this section shall only be used to
185 participate in the Public School Employees' Health Insurance Plan
186 and not for participation in any other type of health insurance
187 plan. Any funds appropriated in these sections which are not
188 expended during the fiscal year shall be carried forward for the
189 same purposes during the next succeeding fiscal year.

190 SECTION 9. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
191 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
192 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the
193 purpose of establishing and operating One-Stop Career Centers at
194 each of the public community and junior colleges for the fiscal
195 year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....

196 \$ 4,500,000.00.

197 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from
198 the Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section
199 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

200 SECTION 10. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
201 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
202 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
203 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of
204 defraying the cost of Sign Language Interpreter Training at the
205 public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
206 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 179,050.00.

207 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from
208 the Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section
209 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

210 SECTION 11. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
211 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
212 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
213 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
214 cost of the Education Technology Program at the public community
215 and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999,
216 and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 3,599,160.00.

217 SECTION 12. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
218 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
219 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the
220 purpose of defraying the cost of the Education Technology Program
221 at the public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year
222 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....
223 \$ 1,500,000.00.

224 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from
225 the Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section 27-
226 103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

227 SECTION 13. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
228 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the

229 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
230 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of
231 defraying the cost of servicing the debt on bonds issued for the
232 Education Technology Program at the community and junior colleges
233 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending
234 June 30, 2000..... \$ 3,148,050.00.

235 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from
236 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section
237 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

238 SECTION 14. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
239 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
240 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
241 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of
242 making capital improvements to the grounds and facilities of the
243 community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
244 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 1,500,000.00.

245 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from
246 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section
247 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

248 The funds appropriated in this section shall be allocated as
249 follows:

250 (1) One-half (1/2) divided equally among the fifteen
251 (15) public community and junior colleges.

252 (2) One-half (1/2) divided upon the basis of the number of
253 full-time academic, technical and vocational public community and
254 junior college students actually enrolled and in attendance on the
255 last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its equivalent
256 of the preceding year counting only those students who reside
257 within the State of Mississippi.

258 SECTION 15. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
259 of this act, it is the intention of the Legislature that the
260 amount of Eleven Million Three Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Two
261 Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$11,377,280.00) shall be used to award

262 salary increases for faculty of the public community and junior
263 colleges and the amount of Eight Million Nine Hundred Thirty-nine
264 Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-two Dollars (\$8,939,292.00) shall be
265 used to award salary increases for non-faculty staff.

266 SECTION 16. Of the funds appropriated in Sections 1 (2),
267 2 (2), 3 (2), and 4 (2), Twenty-seven Million Three Hundred
268 Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred Forty-six Dollars (\$27,317,646.00)
269 shall be derived from Education Enhancement Funds deposited
270 pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of
271 1972 and Eleven Million Eight Hundred Eighty-six Thousand Six
272 Hundred Eight Dollars (\$11,886,608.00) shall be derived from
273 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section
274 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

275 SECTION 17. Should revenues generated and deposited to the
276 Education Enhancement Fund pursuant to Section 27-103-203 (1),
277 Mississippi Code of 1972, and apportioned pursuant to Section
278 37-61-33 (6), Mississippi Code of 1972, fall below funds
279 appropriated herein from said source, the State Board for
280 Community and Junior Colleges shall notify the Department of
281 Finance and Administration as to which allotments shall be reduced
282 to insure that expenditures do not exceed actual revenues.

283 SECTION 18. A Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition
284 (MPACT) program beneficiary shall be considered a Mississippi
285 resident for the purposes of participating in this appropriation
286 regardless of the beneficiary's residence on the date of
287 enrollment, as set out in Mississippi Code Annotated, Section
288 37-155-5(d)(iii).

289 SECTION 19. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
290 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
291 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
292 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
293 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
294 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted

295 performance measures provided below:

296 Performance Measures FY2000 Target

297 INSTRUCTION

298 Cumulative grade point averages of
299 community college transfer students
300 attending State Institutions of Higher
301 Learning will equal or exceed the
302 Grade Point Averages earned by native
303 students in the same university system
304 (GPA based on a 4.0 scale) 2.70

305 Average range of class size (Students/Class) 16-30

306 Percentage of community/junior college
307 associate degree nursing graduates who
308 pass the state board nursing exam on the
309 first write (%) 95.16%

310 Percentage of full-time and adjunct (part-
311 time) faculty who met the criteria for
312 academic and professional preparation (%) 99.95%

313 Percentage of vocational-technical students
314 who complete or exit a program and are
315 considered positively placed (%) 83.90%

316 Total cost per full-time equivalent student (\$) \$4,675.10

317 PHYSICAL PLANT OPERATION

318 Percentage of community/junior colleges with a
319 written comprehensive safety and health
320 program implemented to ensure safe working
321 conditions and practices (%) 100%

322 Number of student injuries on community and
323 junior college grounds (Students) 118 or less

324 Number of employee injuries on community and
325 junior college grounds (Employees) 102 or less

326 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
327 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the

328 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
329 Committee for Fiscal Year 2001.

330 SECTION 20. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
331 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
332 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
333 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
334 cost of the Golden Triangle Education Center for Manufacturing
335 Technology, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending
336 June 30, 2000..... \$ 100,000.00.

337 SECTION 21. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
338 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
339 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
340 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
341 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
342 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

343 SECTION 22. This act shall take effect and be in force from
344 and after July 1, 1999.